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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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| Attorney Docket No.    | 0007386-0009                  |
| First Inventor         | Massimo Losio                 |
| Title                  | SUPPORT STRUCTURE FOR VEHICLE |
| Express Mail Label No. | ET873998363US                 |

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
- Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification [Total Pages 13] /  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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  - Background of the Invention
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  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
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- Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)  Power of Attorney
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
13.  Preliminary Amendment
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15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
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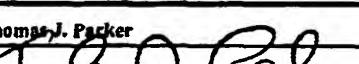
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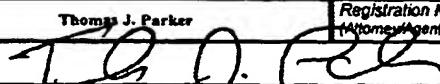
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(Small Entity)

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**For: SUPPORT STRUCTURE FOR A VEHICLE**

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6 sheets of drawings.

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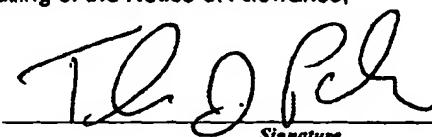
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